



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: June 29, 2010

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Engineering Division, Public Works Department
Administration Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Contract For Construction Of The Parma Park Equestrian Staging Area Project

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Award a contract with Lash Construction, Inc. (Lash), in their low bid amount of \$170,241 for construction of the Parma Park Equestrian Staging Area Project (Project), Bid No. 3539;
- B. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a contract and approve expenditures up to \$17,000 to cover any cost increases that may result from contract change orders for extra work and differences between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities measured for payment; and
- C. Authorize the General Services Manager to issue a Purchase Order to Fugro West (Fugro) in the amount of \$4,500 for material testing services, and approve expenditures of up to \$500 for extra services of Fugro that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council authorized the design of the Project in January 2008. The Parma Park Trust (Trust) is funding the Project to upgrade the entrance to Parma Park on Stanwood Drive and enhance the equestrian staging and parking area. Parma Park suffered severe damage in November 2008 from the Tea Fire and the Project was put on hold. With recovery underway, the Trustee expressed interest in moving forward with the Project.

DISCUSSION:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Parma Park (Park), one of the City's 11 open space parks, comprises 200 acres. Located in the upper Sycamore Creek watershed and generally bounded by Sycamore Canyon Road, Mountain Drive, and the community of Montecito, the Park provides passive recreation opportunities to hikers and equestrians. Currently, most motorized vehicles and trailers are prohibited from entering the Park. Mountain biking is limited to fire roads within the Park. With prior arrangement, equestrians are granted permission to bring horse trailers into a staging area through the Stanwood Drive entrance to the Park. The entrance and staging area are also access points for residents that hike the Park trails.

Harold Parma, along with his family, deeded the Park to the City in November 1973. The Parks Division of the Parks and Recreation Department (Department) manages the Park. The Trust, established in 2000, provides funds on an annual basis to support the preservation and maintenance of the Park. The Department works closely with the Trust to develop and implement annual maintenance programs for the Park, as well as pursue Park improvements. The Trust is funding the Project to upgrade the entrance to the Park on Stanwood Drive and enhance the equestrian staging and parking area.

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CONTRACT BIDS

A total of 10 bids were received for the subject work, ranging as follows:

	BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1.	Lash Construction, Inc. Santa Barbara	\$170,241.00
2.	Granite Construction Company Santa Barbara	\$171,184.00
3.	R. Burke Corporation San Luis Obispo	\$171,193.00
4.	Brough Construction Santa Maria	\$182,109.60 *
5.	Bob Trautz Santa Barbara	\$198,018.00 *

6.	Cal Fran Engineering, Inc. Simi Valley	\$212,605.00
7.	Aguilera Brothers Construction Oxnard	\$234,194.00
8.	Schock Contracting Santa Barbara	\$255,510.00
9.	John Madonna Construction San Luis Obispo	\$261,762.00 *
10.	Toro Enterprises Oxnard	\$272,625.50

*corrected bid total

The low bid of \$170,241.00, submitted by Lash, is an acceptable bid that is responsive to and meets the requirements of the bid specifications.

The change order funding recommendation of \$17,000, or (10%), is typical for this type of work and size of project.

CONSTRUCTION PHASE CONTRACT SERVICES

Staff recommends that Council authorize the General Services Manager to issue a Purchase Order to Fugro in the amount of \$4,500 for materials testing services, and approve expenditures of up to \$500 for extra services of Fugro that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work. Fugro is on the City's Prequalified Engineering Services list and is experienced in this type of work.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Due to the popularity of the Park, the Department will be mailing notices to residents in the surrounding area to notify them when the Stanwood Drive entrance is unavailable for use during construction. Other entrances to the Park will remain open and temporary signage will direct the public to those entrances.

FUNDING

The total cost of the Project is \$337,984.65. The Trust has provided all of the funds for the Project's design, permitting, and construction. There are adequate funds appropriated in the Department's Miscellaneous Grant Fund to complete Project construction. The following summarizes the expenditures recommended in this report:

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FUNDING SUMMARY

	Basic Contract	Change Funds	Total
Lash	\$170,241	\$17,000	\$187,241
Fugro	\$4,500	\$500	\$5,000
TOTAL RECOMMENDED AUTHORIZATION			\$192,241

The following summarizes all Project design costs, construction contract funding, and other Project costs:

ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECT COST

Design (by Contract)	\$41,046.63
City Staff Costs	\$32,914.04
Archeological Services and Report (by Contract)	\$6,564.62
Environmental Services and Report (by Contract)	\$6,200.00
Arborist Services and Survey (by Contract)	\$5,840.00
Other Design Costs – Survey, Permits, Supplies, etc.	\$8,808.36
Subtotal	\$101,373.65
Construction Contract	\$170,241.00
Construction Change Order Allowance	\$17,000.00
City Supplied Benches and Park Signs	\$7,500.00
Subtotal	\$194,741.00
Other Construction Costs (Permits, Supplies, etc.)	\$2,980.00
Construction Management/Inspection (by City Staff)	\$22,000.00
Material Testing (by Contract)	\$5,000.00
Arborist and Tree Services (by Contract)	\$7,490.00
Design Support Services During Construction (by Contract)	\$4,400.00
Subtotal	\$41,870.00
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$337,984.65

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

This Project will enhance the use of the Park as an open space park. In addition to the entrance and staging area improvements, the Project design will address site drainage and native vegetation in order to prevent erosion, protect water quality, and enhance the riparian habitat.

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